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Susan E. Birch, MBA, BSN, RN, Executive Director
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RE: Colorado #11-011

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-011. The purpose of this amendment is coverage for optional group to cover legal immigrant pregnant women.

The State will be eligible to claim FFP for only the categories of non-citizens listed in this SPA, CO 11-011, which complies with guidance issued by CMS on July 1, 2010. We understand that the State used a definition of those qualifying under this provision that conforms to our guidance.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved effective January 01, 2011. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Diane Dunstan-Murphy at (303) 844-7040.

Sincerely,

/s/

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